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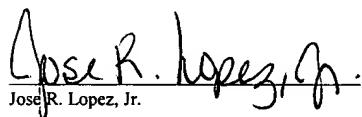
**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

In re Application of : Customer No.: 41552  
CHEE, et al. : Confirmation Number: 7034  
Serial No.: 09/513,362 : Group Art Unit: 1637  
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For: NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCING USING MICROSPHERE ARRAYS

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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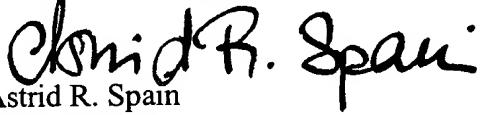
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2004, now due to expire April 22, 2004, be extended for three month(s) and set to expire on July 22, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of \$475.00 to Deposit Account No. 502624. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502624.

Respectfully submitted,

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